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(u) The Government of Tanzania reaffirmed that it "is committed to the principle of geographic rotation" for the selection of Secretary General and "it is Asia's turn." At a July 18 meeting with Poloff, Ambassador Liberata Mulamula, Director of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs' Multilateral Division, did not express GOT support for a specific candidate, but confirmed that Shashi Tharoor of India was well-received at the African Union summit in Banjul in June.
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